(b) (4) AN INSURER MAY NOT MAKE OR PERMIT ANY DIFFERENTIAL IN RATINGS, PREMIUM PAYMENTS, OR DIVIDENDS IN CONNECTION WITH A HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRACT SOLELY BECAUSE THE APPLICANT OR POLICYHOLDER HAS THE SICKLE-CELL TRAIT, THALASSEMIA-MINOR TRAIT, HEMOGLOBIN C TRAIT, TAY-SACHS TRAIT, OR ANY GENETIC TRAIT WHICH IS HARMLESS WITHIN ITSELF, UNLESS THERE IS ACTUARIAL JUSTIFICATION THEREFOR FOR IT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

Approved May 29, 1979.

CHAPTER 455

(Senate Bill 481)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Rent Escrow Law

FOR the purpose of clarifying that in Baltimore City, that the rent escrow law does not apply unless the landlord has been notified of any violation which endangers the life, health, or safety of tenants; and relating generally to the law concerning rent escrow in Baltimore City; and certain clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City Section 9-9(a), (d)(2), (e), and (f)(4) Article 4 — Public Local Laws of Maryland (1969 Edition and 1978 Supplement, as amended by Chapter 687 of the Acts of 1971)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 4 - Baltimore City

9-9.

(a) Findings and purposes.

(1) It is found and declared that there exist in the City of Baltimore structures used for human habitation which are, or may become in the future, substandard with respect to structure, equipment or maintenance; and that